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MONTHLY REPORT
PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE DIVISION
August 1953

SECTION IV

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1. Status of PSB Panels and Planning in Which CIA Participates:

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a. PSB Committee on the 8th General Assembly: The Committee chairman, [redacted], was assigned to the staff of the U.S. delegation to the UN beginning 8 September, to function as the responsible staff officer there for this project and as the principal contact in New York with this committee. The committee agreed that the PSB would work out the arrangements for conducting the Washington business of the committee.

b. IKNAP Panel: At the 12 August meeting the panel discussed ways and means of reporting and encouraging an attempt by the French Government to indict several leaders of the Commie Party in France and to waive parliamentary immunity of several others so they can be prosecuted. It was decided to pass to USIA an injunction against doing anything about the situation at the present time, to avoid any possibility of accusations of American interference in French internal affairs.

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c. PSB D-23, the U.S. Doctrinal Program: On 1 August, DCI designated [redacted] CIA representative to work with other Agency representatives in coordinating the initial implementation of this program.

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d. PSB D-36, National Psychological Strategy Plan for Western Europe: On 4 August CPP forwarded to PSB the CIA comments on the proposed changes in the plan.

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e. [redacted]

f. PSB D-23, Thailand: JCS and CIA made certain changes in this paper. On 2 September, General Cabell phoned FE and stated that the Board had that day approved D-23 as revised.

g. PSB Informal Meetings:

(1) At the 5 August meeting, the Board:

(a) Approved Proposal for a project on "Future U.S. Problems in the Satellite States." DCI had submitted the proposal.

(b) Asked CIA to prepare a coordinated estimate on "Decline of American Prestige Abroad". Mr. Amory, DDI, is in charge of the project for CIA. After submission of the estimate, the PSB staff will be asked to draft a plan for meeting and reversing the alleged decline in U.S. prestige. Mr. Amory expected to have a draft ready the first week in September.

(2) At the 26 August meeting, the Board:

(a) Approved a proposal to make full power tests of transmitter "John" for one week. It appointed a committee consisting of Mr. Phillips (State), General Erskine (Defense), and Mr. Hamilton (USIA) to work out a plan for coordination of agency considerations involved. If the plan developed by the committee is concurred in by the three principals concerned, it is to go into operation without further reference to the Board.

(b) Expressed its firm opposition to the use of Federal troops to control the "setback" problem.

(c) Concurred in a State Department draft of a reply by the President to to Adenauer's letter about clothing for East Germany.

(d) Agreed that

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C. PSB INFORMAL MEETINGS (CONTINUED)

(d) Agreed that it would be desirable to make some gestures, particularly with surplus food, in Western Europe at Christmas time.

2. SUPPORT TO POCC:

There were no POCC Meetings during the month.

No firm decision on the status or form the POCC will take can be made until the OCB (successor to PSB) is organized and it can then be seen what functions, if any, are left for POCC to perform.

POC/S did not meet formally but the presence of the other staff members was of use to the CIA representative who found informal conversations with them fruitful on Defense, and PSB matters.

3. U.S. INFORMATION AGENCY:

Still in the process of reorganization, both because of the change from IIA to USIA (and the change in Directors) and from the several budgetary and personnel cuts.

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